

~~A1~~ B1 1. (Amended) A device for securing a sealing member in a predetermined position, said device comprising:

(a) a positioning element of a predetermined size and shape having a first surface and a second surface;

(b) a retaining element of a predetermined size and shape disposed on at least one of said first surface and said second surface of said positioning element; and

(c) a bevel having a first end and a second end formed on an outer edge of said retaining member; and

(d) a radius disposed tangent to said at least one of said first surface and said second surface of said positioning element and said first end of said bevel formed on said outer edge of said retaining member.

A1 2. (Amended) The device according to claim 1 wherein said positioning element and said retaining element are an annulus having an inside diameter and an outside diameter.

~~A1~~ B2 10. (Amended) A device for securing a plurality of sealing members in a predetermined position, said device comprising:

(a) two positioning elements of a predetermined size and shape, each of said two positioning elements having a first outer surface and a second radially opposed inner surface;

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(b) two retaining elements of a predetermined size and shape disposed on said first outer surface of said positioning elements; and

(c) a spacer means of a predetermined size and shape engageable with each of said radially opposed inner surface of said two positioning elements for locating said two positioning elements a predetermined distance from each other, said two positioning elements and said two retaining elements and said spacer means being formed integrally as a single piece.

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